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Bedford, NH 03110

Office of General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20463.

Re: MUR 7500

Wanton abuse of discretion/Failure to Investigate Crimes and Honest Service Fraud

Dear Committee Members:

Complainant here posit these additional information in support of the "patronage system" as detailed in the Amended Complaint that I believe this Credit Union; St Mary's Bank, it's top Management and Board control and directs, a Campaign Finance Violations within the FEC jurisdiction per Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 as amended.

The NH attorney general aware of the conduct of Gillian Abramson and her failure to recuse herself from the case she and her husband donated to [while they couldn't pay their real estate taxes] candidate Lamontagne seeking the 2nd time, NH governorship, and granted St Mary's an ex parte restraining order when she had a relationship with him as they All worked for Governor Merrill. St Mary's is their bank in NH Patronage system as defined by the FEC.

The NH attorney general has also made significantly more campaign donations on numerous times to St Mary's Bank (ex chairman) candidate Lamontagne. Thus the failure to initiate and authorize an investigation into the alleged and reported violations of Honest Service and FEC laws for fear that the investigations will entangle more persons with connections to a particular party is by itself and at minimum wanton conspiracy of violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371 - Conspiracy to Defraud The United States.

The attorney general was nominated to be the Chief Justice of the NH Supreme Court.

Submitted by

**Baboucar Taal** 

Encl:

## **AFFIDAVIT**

State of New Hampshire County of Hillsborough

I, Baboucar Taal, hereby sworn to, and signed in the presence of a notary public, that the complaint is true to the best of my knowledge, executed by:

**Baboucar Taal** 

Subscribed and sworn to, before me on this 34 Hoday of Joly, 2019

Notary Public

My Commission expires: 11/4/2023

TYLER G LANDERS Notary Public - New Hampshire My Commission Expires Nov 14, 2023

## **APPENDIX**

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**RE: Clarification** 

From: Smith, Nancy (Nancy.Smith@doj.nh.gov)

To:

Date: Thursday, August 25, 2016 04:07 PM EDT

Mr. Taal,

As I am in the civil bureau, I do not do any criminal prosecution and therefore cannot answer your question.

Nancy J. Smith, Senior Asst. Attorney General Client Counseling Chief, Civil Bureau Office of the Attorney General 33 Capitol Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301 Fax: (603)271-2110 nancy:smith@doj:nh:gov (603) 271-1227

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From: Baboucar Taal [mailto:

Sent: Thursday, August 25, 2016 11:53 AM

To: Smith, Nancy Subject: Re: Clarification

Ms Smith

I was ask a question recently and I did not have a direct answer by a federal official, so I ask you as it pertains to your office.

Is it true that this NH-doj and you as employee/officer of the court Will Not Prosecute upon being aware or made aware of criminal conduct by state employees and or "court officer(s)"?

submitted by

**Baboucar Taal** 

## Is Sununu making Supreme Court political?

By KATHY SULLIVAN Jun 19, 2019

GOV. CHRIS SUNUNU recently announced his nomination of Attorney General Gordon MacDonald to become chief justice of the state's Supreme Court.

It is Sununu's third appointment to the court. None had prior experience on the bench, whether in the circuit court or the Superior Court. While prior judicial experience is not required, that lack of experience is not typical.

Sununu passed over a number of judges who are at least as qualified, if not more so, to serve as chief justice. It is the custom for the chief justice to come from within the ranks of the Supreme Court itself. Current Chief Justice Robert Lynn was a justice for seven years. His predecessor, the trailblazing Linda Dalianis, first served as an associate justice, following a number of years as a marital master and a Superior Court judge.

I looked up the records going back to Justice Frank Kennison, who served as an associate justice for five years before his appointment as chief in 1952, a capacity in which he served for 25 years. Every chief justice had prior judicial experience, and all had been an associate justice before appointment as chief.

So, why is Sununu breaking a tradition that goes back at least 67 years?

When I started asking this question, some of my Republican friends accused me of trying to politicize the nomination. MacDonald went to a great law school, they said, he is a good guy, he works hard, he has served on various committees, he was a partner in a large law firm.

I agree that MacDonald has excellent credentials as an attorney — especially the great law school (we share an alma mater). But the Executive Council needs to take a hard look at this nomination. Not because I want to politicize the Supreme Court, but because I am afraid Sununu is trying to do just that.

The modern New Hampshire Supreme Court has not been a political court. When Linda Dalianis was appointed chief, I did not know or care what her party registration was. While I may have disagreed with the court's decisions from time to time, I never felt that it was driven by a partisan ideology.

While the court always has a mix of Democrats and Republicans, Sununu's nominees are more that just registered Republicans. They all have been generous donors to the GOP and/or its

candidates. According to Open Secrets, MacDonald's federal contributions alone total more than \$20,000.

There is nothing disqualifying about making political donations. However, the level of MacDonald's is significant.

In addition, Sununu's Supreme Court nominees appear to come from the Republican Party's more conservative wing. Both MacDonald and Justice Bobbie Hantz Marconi are former members of the board of directors of the Josiah Bartlett Center, a very conservative New Hampshire think tank. Justice Hantz Marconi also was the Republican Party's executive director back in the 1980s, and once ran to be the state GOP chair. MacDonald lists the NH GOP as one of his former clients.

The Bartlett Center has been heavily funded by the Koch brothers. One of their foundations contributed more than \$280,000 to the center during MacDonald's first two years on the board. Groups affiliated with the Kochs have been trying to elect conservative judges in some states where judges are elected.

There are a number of critical issues that will be argued before the Supreme Court in the next few years — education funding, voting rights, potential additional litigation involving Northern Pass, and the like.

New Hampshire deserves a Supreme Court that will not look at these matters through a partisan eye, but one that will interpret the law as objectively as possible.

The Executive Council should not wave this nomination through, but should take a hard look at whether Sununu is imposing an ideological stamp on what has been a non-political body.

Kathy Sullivan is the former chairman of the New Hampshire Democratic Party.